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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Bishop

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: RAYMOND (RAY) H. THORNTON, JR.
D - ARKANSAS
CONGRESSMAN - ELECT

DATE: November 17, 1972

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Baker _____
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Mr. Armstrong _____
Ms. Herwig _____
Mrs. Neenan _____

On 11-7-72 Arkansas Attorney General Raymond (Ray) H. Thornton, Jr., was elected to the 4th Congressional District formerly held by Representative David Pryor (D) who retired to run against Senator McClellan in the primary. Thornton was unopposed in this election.

BACKGROUND:

The Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory shows that Thornton, aged 44, received his LL. B. degree from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville. He resides in Sheridan, Arkansas.

BUFILE INFORMATION:

Bureau files indicate liaison was established with Thornton when he assumed his duties on 1-12-71 as attorney general; and since that time, close cooperation has been maintained between Thornton and the Little Rock Division.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

1 - Mr. Bishop
1 - Mr. M. A. Jones
1 - Mr. Malmfeldt
1 - Mr. Bowers
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Kinley

DATE: 2-8-73

FROM : D. W. Bowers

SUBJECT: CONGRESSMAN RAYMOND H. THORNTON, JR.
(D-ARK.)

Mr. Felt _____
Mr. Baker _____
Mr. Callahan _____
Mr. Cleveland _____
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SA Fulton met with Congressman Thornton on 2-6-73 under our program of contacting newly elected Members of Congress. He stated that he had enjoyed friendly relations with our Little Rock Office while Attorney General of Arkansas and that he had been told by his predecessor, former Congressman David Pryor, that he could expect the same type of cooperation and assistance from the FBI in Washington. He was given a general rundown on those areas in which the FBI might be of help to his staff, and he expressed his thanks and appreciation for our interest in contacting him.

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